

# A Checklist of the Birds of Northamptonshire

The checklist below follows the systematic order, nomenclature and taxonomy of the IOC World Bird List and covers all 323 species officially recorded in Northamptonshire up to 31st December 2019. Subspecies are also included in a lighter text.

For record submission to the Northamptonshire Bird Report, species denoted with letters require a written description, as follows: N Description and/or photograph required by County Records Committee; N\* Description required when not heard; N= Description required in 'non-invasion' years; BB Description required by British Birds Rarities Committee.

Brent Goose	<i>Branta bernicla</i>	
Dark-bellied Brent Goose	<i>B. b. bernicla</i>	
Canada Goose	<i>B. canadensis</i>	
Barnacle Goose	<i>B. leucopsis</i>	
Greylag Goose	<i>Anser anser</i>	
Pink-footed Goose	<i>A. brachyrhynchus</i>	
Tundra Bean Goose	<i>A. fabalis</i>	N
White-fronted Goose	<i>A. albifrons</i>	
Greenland White-fronted Goose	<i>A. a. flavirostris</i>	N
European White-fronted Goose	<i>A. a. albifrons</i>	
Mute Swan	<i>Cygnus olor</i>	
Bewick's Swan	<i>C. columbianus bewickii</i>	
Whooper Swan	<i>C. cygnus</i>	
Egyptian Goose	<i>Alopochen aegyptiaca</i>	
Shelduck	<i>Tadorna tadorna</i>	
Mandarin Duck	<i>Aix galericulata</i>	
Garganey	<i>Anas querquedula</i>	
Blue-winged Teal	<i>A. discors</i>	BB
Shoveler	<i>A. clypeata</i>	
Gadwall	<i>A. strepera</i>	
Falcated Duck	<i>Marecca falcata</i>	BB
Wigeon	<i>Anas penelope</i>	
American Wigeon	<i>A. americana</i>	N
Mallard	<i>A. platyrhynchos</i>	
Pintail	<i>A. acuta</i>	
Teal	<i>A. crecca</i>	
Green-winged Teal	<i>A. carolinensis</i>	N
Red-crested Pochard	<i>Netta rufina</i>	
Pochard	<i>Aythya ferina</i>	
Ferruginous Duck	<i>A. nyroca</i>	BB
Ring-necked Duck	<i>A. collaris</i>	N
Tufted Duck	<i>A. fuligula</i>	
Scaup	<i>A. marila</i>	
Eider	<i>Somateria mollissima</i>	N
Velvet Scoter	<i>Melanitta fusca</i>	N
Common Scoter	<i>M. nigra</i>	
Long-tailed Duck	<i>Clangula hyemalis</i>	N
Goldeneye	<i>Bucephala clangula</i>	

Smew	<i>Mergellus albellus</i>	
Goosander	<i>Mergus merganser</i>	
Red-breasted Merganser	<i>M. serrator</i>	
Ruddy Duck	<i>Oxyura jamaicensis</i>	
Black Grouse	<i>Tetrao tetrix</i>	N
Red Grouse	<i>Lagopus lagopus</i>	N
Red-legged Partridge	<i>Alectoris rufa</i>	
Grey Partridge	<i>Perdix perdix</i>	
Quail	<i>Coturnix coturnix</i>	N*
Pheasant	<i>Phasianus colchicus</i>	
Golden Pheasant	<i>Chrysolophus pictus</i>	
Red-throated Diver	<i>Gavia stellata</i>	N
Black-throated Diver	<i>G. arctica</i>	N
Great Northern Diver	<i>G. immer</i>	N
Storm Petrel	<i>Hydrobates pelagicus</i>	N
Leach's Petrel	<i>Oceanodroma leucorhoa</i>	N
Fulmar	<i>Fulmarus glacialis</i>	N
Cory's Shearwater	<i>Calonectis borealis</i>	N
Manx Shearwater	<i>Puffinus puffinus</i>	N
Little Grebe	<i>Tachybaptus ruficollis</i>	
Pied-billed Grebe	<i>Podilymbus podiceps</i>	BB
Red-necked Grebe	<i>Podiceps grisegena</i>	N
Great Crested Grebe	<i>P. cristatus</i>	
Slavonian Grebe	<i>P. auritus</i>	N
Black-necked Grebe	<i>P. nigricollis</i>	N
Black Stork	<i>Ciconia nigra</i>	BB
White Stork	<i>C. ciconia</i>	N
Glossy Ibis	<i>Plegadis falcinellus</i>	N
Spoonbill	<i>Platalea leucorodia</i>	N
Bittern	<i>Botaurus stellaris</i>	
Little Bittern	<i>Ixobrychus minutus</i>	BB
Night-heron	<i>Nycticorax nycticorax</i>	N
Cattle Egret	<i>Bubulcus ibis</i>	N
Grey Heron	<i>Ardea cinerea</i>	
Purple Heron	<i>A. purpurea</i>	N
Great White Egret	<i>A. alba</i>	N
Little Egret	<i>Egretta garzetta</i>	
Gannet	<i>Morus bassanus</i>	N
Shag	<i>Phalacrocorax aristotelis</i>	N
Cormorant	<i>P. carbo</i>	
Continental Cormorant	<i>P. c. sinensis</i>	
Atlantic Cormorant	<i>P. c. carbo</i>	
Osprey	<i>Pandion haliaetus</i>	
Honey-buzzard	<i>Pernis apivorus</i>	N
Golden Eagle	<i>Aquila chrysaetos</i>	N
Sparrowhawk	<i>Accipiter nisus</i>	
Goshawk	<i>A. gentilis</i>	N
Marsh Harrier	<i>Circus aeruginosus</i>	

Hen Harrier	<i>C. cyaneus</i>	
Montagu's Harrier	<i>C. pygargus</i>	N
Red Kite	<i>Milvus milvus</i>	
Black Kite	<i>M. migrans</i>	N
White-tailed Eagle	<i>Haliaeetus albicilla</i>	N
Rough-legged Buzzard	<i>Buteo lagopus</i>	N
Buzzard	<i>B. buteo</i>	
Great Bustard	<i>Otis tarda</i>	BB
Little Bustard	<i>Tetrax tetrax</i>	BB
Water Rail	<i>Rallus aquatica</i>	
Corncrake	<i>Crex crex</i>	N
Spotted Crake	<i>Porzana porzana</i>	N
Moorhen	<i>Gallinula chloropus</i>	
Coot	<i>Fulica atra</i>	
Crane	<i>Grus grus</i>	N
Stone-curlew	<i>Burhinus oediconemus</i>	N
Oystercatcher	<i>Haematopus ostralegus</i>	
Black-winged Stilt	<i>Himantopus himantopus</i>	N
Avocet	<i>Recurvirostra avosetta</i>	
Lapwing	<i>Vanellus vanellus</i>	
Sociable Plover	<i>V. gregarius</i>	BB
Golden Plover	<i>Pluvialis apricaria</i>	
American Golden Plover	<i>P. dominica</i>	N
Grey Plover	<i>P. squatarola</i>	
Little Ringed Plover	<i>Charadrius dubius</i>	
Kentish Plover	<i>C. alexandrinus</i>	N
Ringed Plover	<i>C. hiaticula</i>	
Tundra Ringed Plover	<i>C. h. tundrae</i>	
Dotterel	<i>C. morinellus</i>	N
Whimbrel	<i>Numenius phaeopus</i>	
Curlew	<i>N. arquata</i>	
Bar-tailed Godwit	<i>Limosa lapponica</i>	
Black-tailed Godwit	<i>L. limosa</i>	
Icelandic Black-tailed Godwit	<i>L. l. islandica</i>	
Continental Black-tailed Godwit	<i>L. l. limosa</i>	
Turnstone	<i>Arenaria interpres</i>	
Knot	<i>Calidris canutus</i>	
Ruff	<i>C. pugnax</i>	
Broad-billed Sandpiper	<i>C. falcinellus</i>	BB
Curlew Sandpiper	<i>C. ferruginea</i>	
Temminck's Stint	<i>C. temminckii</i>	N
Sanderling	<i>C. alba</i>	
Dunlin	<i>C. alpina</i>	
Greenland Dunlin	<i>C.a. arctica</i>	N
	<i>C. a. schinzii</i>	
Purple Sandpiper	<i>C. maritima</i>	N
Baird's Sandpiper	<i>C. bairdii</i>	BB
Little Stint	<i>C. minuta</i>	

White-rumped Sandpiper	<i>C. fuscicollis</i>	N
Buff-breasted Sandpiper	<i>C. subruficollis</i>	N
Pectoral Sandpiper	<i>C. melanotos</i>	N
Semipalmated Sandpiper	<i>C. pusilla</i>	BB
Long-billed Dowitcher	<i>Limnodromus scolopaceus</i>	BB
Woodcock	<i>Scolopax rusticola</i>	
Jack Snipe	<i>Lymnocyrtus minimus</i>	
Great Snipe	<i>G. media</i>	BB
Snipe	<i>Gallinago gallinago</i>	
Wilson's Phalarope	<i>Phalaropus tricolor</i>	BB
Red-necked Phalarope	<i>P. lobatus</i>	N
Grey Phalarope	<i>P. fulicarius</i>	N
Common Sandpiper	<i>Actitis hypoleucos</i>	
Green Sandpiper	<i>Tringa ochropus</i>	
Lesser Yellowlegs	<i>T. flavipes</i>	N
Redshank	<i>T. totanus</i>	
Marsh Sandpiper	<i>T. stagnatilis</i>	BB
Wood Sandpiper	<i>T. glareola</i>	
Spotted Redshank	<i>T. erythropus</i>	
Greenshank	<i>T. nebularia</i>	
Greater Yellowlegs	<i>T. melanoleuca</i>	BB
Collared Pratincole	<i>Glareola pratincola</i>	BB
Black-winged Pratincole	<i>G. nordmanni</i>	BB
Kittiwake	<i>Rissa tridactyla</i>	
Sabine's Gull	<i>Xema sabini</i>	N
Bonaparte's Gull	<i>Chroicocephalus philadelphia</i>	BB
Black-headed Gull	<i>C. ridibundus</i>	
Little Gull	<i>Hydrocoloeus minutus</i>	
Franklin's Gull	<i>Larus pipixcan</i>	BB
Mediterranean Gull	<i>L. melanocephalus</i>	
Common Gull	<i>L. canus</i>	
Ring-billed Gull	<i>L. delawarensis</i>	N
Great Black-backed Gull	<i>L. marinus</i>	
Glaucous Gull	<i>L. hyperboreus</i>	N
Iceland Gull	<i>L. glaucoides</i>	N
	<i>L. g. glaucoides</i>	
Kumlien's Gull	<i>L. g. kumlieni</i>	N
Herring Gull	<i>L. argentatus</i>	
	<i>L. a. argenteus</i>	
	<i>L. a. argentatus</i>	
Caspian Gull	<i>L. cachinnans</i>	
Yellow-legged Gull	<i>L. michahellis</i>	
Azorean Yellow-legged Gull	<i>L. m. atlantis</i>	BB
	<i>L. m. michahellis</i>	
Lesser Black-backed Gull	<i>L. fuscus</i>	
	<i>L. f. intermedius</i>	
	<i>L. f. graellsii</i>	
Caspian Tern	<i>Hydroprogne caspia</i>	BB

Sandwich Tern	<i>Thalasseus sandvicensis</i>	
Little Tern	<i>Sternula albifrons</i>	
Bridled Tern	<i>Onychoprion anaethetus</i>	BB
Sooty Tern	<i>O. fuscatus</i>	BB
Roseate Tern	<i>Sterna dougallii</i>	N
Common Tern	<i>S. hirundo</i>	
Arctic Tern	<i>S. paradisaea</i>	
Whiskered Tern	<i>Chlidonias hybrida</i>	BB
White-winged Black Tern	<i>C. leucopterus</i>	N
Black Tern	<i>C. niger</i>	
Great Skua	<i>Stercorarius skua</i>	N
Pomarine Skua	<i>S. pomarinus</i>	N
Arctic Skua	<i>S. parasiticus</i>	N
Long-tailed Skua	<i>S. longicaudus</i>	N
Little Auk	<i>Alle alle</i>	N
Common Guillemot	<i>Uria aaige</i>	N
Razorbill	<i>Alca torda</i>	N
Puffin	<i>Fratercula arctica</i>	N
Pallas's Sandgrouse	<i>Syrrhaptes paradoxus</i>	BB
Rock Dove/Feral Pigeon	<i>Columba livia</i>	
Stock Dove	<i>C. oenas</i>	
Woodpigeon	<i>C. palumbus</i>	
Turtle Dove	<i>Streptopelia turtur</i>	
Collared Dove	<i>S. decaocto</i>	
Cuckoo	<i>Cuculus canorus</i>	
Barn Owl	<i>Tyto alba</i>	
Scops Owl	<i>Otus scops</i>	BB
Tawny Owl	<i>Strix aluco</i>	
Little Owl	<i>Athene noctua</i>	
Tengmalm's Owl	<i>Aegolius funereus</i>	BB
Long-eared Owl	<i>Asio otus</i>	
Short-eared Owl	<i>A. flammeus</i>	
Nightjar	<i>Caprimulgus europaeus</i>	
Alpine Swift	<i>Apus melba</i>	N
Swift	<i>A. apus</i>	
Pacific Swift	<i>A. pacificus</i>	BB
Roller	<i>Coracias garrulus</i>	BB
Kingfisher	<i>Alcedo atthis</i>	
Bee-eater	<i>Merops apiaster</i>	N
Hoopoe	<i>Upupa epops</i>	N
Wryneck	<i>Jynx torquilla</i>	N
Lesser Spotted Woodpecker	<i>Dendrocopus minor</i>	
Great Spotted Woodpecker	<i>D. major</i>	
Green Woodpecker	<i>Picus viridis</i>	
Kestrel	<i>Falco tinnunculus</i>	
Red-footed Falcon	<i>F. vespertinus</i>	N
Merlin	<i>F. columbarius</i>	
Hobby	<i>F. subbuteo</i>	

Peregrine	<i>F. peregrinus</i>	
Ring-necked Parakeet	<i>Psittacula krameri</i>	
Red-backed Shrike	<i>Lanius collurio</i>	N
Lesser Grey Shrike	<i>L. minor</i>	BB
Great Grey Shrike	<i>L. excubitor</i>	N
	<i>L. e. excubitor</i>	
Steppe Grey Shrike	<i>L. e. pallidirostris</i>	BB
Woodchat Shrike	<i>L. senator</i>	N
Golden Oriole	<i>Oriolus oriolus</i>	N
Jay	<i>Garrulus glandarius</i>	
Magpie	<i>Pica pica</i>	
Nutcracker	<i>Nucifraga caryocatactes</i>	BB
Jackdaw	<i>Corvus monedula</i>	
Nordic Jackdaw	<i>C. m. monedula</i>	N
	<i>C. m. spermologus</i>	
Rook	<i>C. frugilegus</i>	
Carrion Crow	<i>C. corone</i>	
Hooded Crow	<i>C. cornix</i>	N
Raven	<i>C. corax</i>	
Waxwing	<i>Bombycilla garrulus</i>	N=
Coal Tit	<i>Parus ater</i>	
Marsh Tit	<i>Poecile palustris</i>	
Willow Tit	<i>P. montana</i>	
Blue Tit	<i>Cyanistes caeruleus</i>	
Great Tit	<i>Parus major</i>	
Penduline Tit	<i>Remiz pendulinus</i>	N
Skylark	<i>Alauda arvensis</i>	
Bearded Tit	<i>Panurus biarmicus</i>	N
Woodlark	<i>Lullula arborea</i>	N
Shore Lark	<i>Eremophila alpestris</i>	N
Short-toed Lark	<i>Calandrella brachydactyla</i>	N
Sand Martin	<i>Riparia riparia</i>	
Swallow	<i>Hirundo rustica</i>	
House Martin	<i>Delichon urbicum</i>	
Red-rumped Swallow	<i>Cecropis daurica</i>	N
Cetti's Warbler	<i>Cettia cetti</i>	
Long-tailed Tit	<i>Aegithalos caudatus</i>	
Willow Warbler	<i>Phylloscopus trochilus</i>	
Northern Willow Warbler	<i>P. t. acredula</i>	N
	<i>P. t. trochilus</i>	
Chiffchaff	<i>P. collybita</i>	
	<i>P. c. collybita</i>	
Siberian Chiffchaff	<i>P. c. tristis</i>	N
Wood Warbler	<i>P. sibilatrix</i>	
Dusky Warbler	<i>P. fuscatus</i>	N
Yellow-browed Warbler	<i>P. inornatus</i>	N
Hume's Warbler	<i>P. humei</i>	BB
Great Reed Warbler	<i>Acrocephalus arundinaceus</i>	BB

Aquatic Warbler	<i>A. paludicola</i>	BB
Sedge Warbler	<i>A. schoenobaenus</i>	
Reed Warbler	<i>A. scirpaceus</i>	
Marsh Warbler	<i>A. palustris</i>	N
Icterine Warbler	<i>Hippolais icterina</i>	N
Grasshopper Warbler	<i>Locustella naevia</i>	
Savi's Warbler	<i>L. luscinoides</i>	BB
Blackcap	<i>Sylvia atricapilla</i>	
Garden Warbler	<i>S. borin</i>	
Lesser Whitethroat	<i>S. curruca</i>	
	<i>S. c. curruca</i>	
Siberian Lesser Whitethroat	<i>S. c. blythi</i>	
Whitethroat	<i>S. communis</i>	
Dartford Warbler	<i>S. undata</i>	N
Firecrest	<i>Regulus ignicapilla</i>	N
Goldcrest	<i>R. regulus</i>	
Wren	<i>Troglodytes troglodytes</i>	
Nuthatch	<i>Sitta europaea</i>	
Treecreeper	<i>Certhia familiaris</i>	
Rose-coloured Starling	<i>Pastor roseus</i>	N
Starling	<i>Sturnus vulgaris</i>	
Ring Ouzel	<i>Turdus torquatus</i>	
Blackbird	<i>T. merula</i>	
Eye-browed Thrush	<i>T. obscurus</i>	BB
Fieldfare	<i>T. pilaris</i>	
Redwing	<i>T. iliacus</i>	
Icelandic Redwing	<i>T. i. coburni</i>	
	<i>T. i. iliacus</i>	
Song Thrush	<i>T. philomelos</i>	
Mistle Thrush	<i>T. viscivorus</i>	
Spotted Flycatcher	<i>Muscicapa striata</i>	
Robin	<i>Erithacus rubecula</i>	
Bluethroat	<i>Luscinia svecica</i>	N
Nightingale	<i>Luscinia megarhynchos</i>	
Pied Flycatcher	<i>Ficedula hypoleuca</i>	N
Red-breasted Flycatcher	<i>F. parva</i>	N
Black Redstart	<i>Phoenicurus ochruros</i>	
Redstart	<i>P. phoenicurus</i>	
Whinchat	<i>Saxicola rubetra</i>	
Stonechat	<i>S. rubicola</i>	
Northern Wheatear	<i>Oenanthe oenanthe</i>	
	<i>O. o. oenanthe</i>	
Greenland Wheatear	<i>O. o. leucorhoa</i>	
Dipper	<i>Cinclus cinclus</i>	N
	<i>C. c. gularis</i>	
Black-bellied Dipper	<i>C. c. cinclus</i>	BB
House Sparrow	<i>Passer domesticus</i>	
Tree Sparrow	<i>P. montanus</i>	

Dunnock	<i>Prunella modularis</i>	
Yellow Wagtail	<i>Motacilla flava</i>	
	<i>M. f. flavissima</i>	
Blue-headed Wagtail	<i>M. f. flava</i>	N
Grey-headed Wagtail	<i>M. f. thunbergi</i>	N
Citrine Wagtail	<i>M. citreola</i>	N
Grey Wagtail	<i>M. cinerea</i>	
Pied Wagtail	<i>M. alba</i>	
	<i>M. a. yarrellii</i>	
White Wagtail	<i>M. a. alba</i>	
Richard's Pipit	<i>Anthus richardi</i>	N
Meadow Pipit	<i>A. pratensis</i>	
Tree Pipit	<i>A. trivialis</i>	
Water Pipit	<i>A. spinoletta</i>	
Rock Pipit	<i>A. petrosus</i>	
	<i>A. p. petrosus</i>	
Scandinavian Rock Pipit	<i>A. p. littoralis</i>	N
Chaffinch	<i>Fringilla coelebs</i>	
Brambling	<i>F. montifringilla</i>	
Hawfinch	<i>Coccothraustes coccothraustes</i>	
Bullfinch	<i>Pyrrhula pyrrhula</i>	
	<i>P. p. pileata</i>	
Northern Bullfinch	<i>P. p. pyrrhula</i>	N
Greenfinch	<i>Chloris chloris</i>	
Twite	<i>Linaria flavirostris</i>	N
Linnet	<i>L. cannabina</i>	
Common Redpoll	<i>Acanthis flammea</i>	N
Mealy Redpoll	<i>A. f. flammea</i>	
Lesser Redpoll	<i>A. cabaret</i>	
Arctic Redpoll	<i>A. hornemanni</i>	BB
	<i>A. h. exilipes</i>	
Parrot Crossbill	<i>Loxia pytyopsittacus</i>	N
Crossbill	<i>L. curvirostra</i>	
Two-barred Crossbill	<i>L. leucoptera</i>	BB
Goldfinch	<i>Carduelis carduelis</i>	
Siskin	<i>Spinus spinus</i>	
Corn Bunting	<i>Emberiza calandra</i>	
Yellowhammer	<i>E. citrinella</i>	
Ortolan Bunting	<i>E. hortulana</i>	N
Cirl Bunting	<i>E. cirlus</i>	N
Reed Bunting	<i>E. schoeniclus</i>	
Lapland Bunting	<i>Calcarius lapponicus</i>	N
Snow Bunting	<i>Plectrophenax nivalis</i>	N